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CLASS SWITCHING BY  
INACTIVATED VIRAL VACCINE

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SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Asst. Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

Further to the Information Disclosure Statement filed March 19, 2001, the Examiner is respectfully requested to consider the additional references, copies enclosed, which may qualify as prior art. For the Examiner's convenience, the references are listed on the attached Patent and Trademark Office Form PTO-1449.

This submission is made under 37 CFR 1.97(c) and is not believed to require the payment of any fees. Each item of information contained in this information disclosure statement was cited in a communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application less than three months prior to filing of this statement.

References listed in the PTO -1449 submitted herewith which do not specify the month of publication have a year of publication sufficiently earlier than the effective US filing date and the provisional application date so that the particular month of publication is not in issue.

References known to the applicants have been listed on PTO-1449. That

information is cited in a spirit of forthrightness and cooperation to enable the applicants to obtain that measure of protection for the invention to which there is entitlement.

However, no representation is made that the listed art actually qualifies as prior art under the patent statute and the mere use of PTO-1449 is not an admission that all listed references are prior art. No representation is made that applicants know of the best art.

Respectfully submitted,



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